

Dayton
April 14th.

Hi Vicki & Jim,

Hope you two are well and happy - Seems that it's been a long time since we had a letter! But I shall assume that no news is good news - Ha.

I was going to mail Jim's card last evening but got home too late. So will send this along with it -

What have you been up to these days? Has spring (or summer?) come to Virginia yet? I'll bet it's lovely now - We have lots of pretty things blooming here but not too much warm weather so far - Dad has sprayed peach trees several times and they're in "post-bloom" stage now - loads

of blossoms this year so he will have to thin a lot unless something hurts them later. We did have a touch of frost this morning - And beautiful sunshine - but now at 11:00 AM. its clouded over - drat -

I've been working from 7:15 to ~~11~~ 1:15 for a week and a half. Suzanne is on vacation in Calif. until April 24 - And today I would gladly have stayed home if I could have - A touch of the virus, I guess. Dad had "something" last week and I guess it caught up with me. - But I surely will feel ok by tomorrow.

We've seen Ken & Debbie quite often and Jerry not quite so often. They were all here briefly on Sunday afternoon - Jerry has bought a pickup so he can haul wood to his place. He cuts some up and replenishes his supply every couple of weeks.

His heat consists of electric heaters and a frontalin fireplace, which he strongly prefers. We all went over to see his place when we had dinner with Ken & Debbie to celebrate my birthday. Have I mentioned that Jerry has a girlfriend named Vicki? She was there and had helped him get the house cleaned up and acted as hostess for him when Debbie brought along our dessert. She's real nice and works at the airport too. If I haven't already told you about her I'll fill in more later.

We've been doing about the usual. Dad's putting away on the barn - and we're square dancing. Beryl's husband, Chet Ladner, died a week ago Saturday and we attended his funeral - Marilyn & Frances went along - and then we saw the family out at their farm afterward -

Guess I'd better get busy and

finish some work before Ned
returns -

Have you been hiking or
anything lately? of course I know
you have a large variety of activities
there where you live - and no
grass to mow, eh gim ??!

Write us a letter one of these
days - we miss seeing and hearing
from you -

Much love,
mom & dad.